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A DESIRABLE REFORM.

Gov. Willson expresses a determination to establish a new and better system of keeping track of the State's accounts. He is moved to the step by the peculations of Judge Boone, which went so long undiscovered.

The Boone case assuredly demonstrates the need of a change from present methods. It is a matter worthy of long and serious thought by the Governor and of elaborate planning to make a repetition of such behavior by a trusted employe impossible.

That the Governor intends to reform the existing system is most commendable. He cannot make his improvements too soon.

CIVIL SERVICE.

All fourth-class postmasters in the States East of the Mississippi and North of the Ohio river were yesterday placed in the classified service by an order of President Roosevelt. Hereafter all the appointees to fourth-class postmasters in those States, must undergo a civil service examination.

Postmasters now holding office will not take the examinations. This applies to Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan.

The order of the President is the most severe blow at the patronage of Congressmen that has been delivered in years. It is bound to provoke tremendous Republican opposition in Congress, as the selection of postmasters was about all the patronage members of Congress had left. The order will be extended to include other States if found to work well.

More than 15,000 fourth-class postmasters are affected by the order, distributed by States as follows: Maine, 893; New Hampshire, 414; Vermont, 395; Massachusetts, 550; Rhode Island, 100; Connecticut, 287; New York, 2,301; New Jersey, 636; Pennsylvania, 3,388; Ohio, 1,693; Indiana, 1,084; Illinois, 1,505; Wisconsin, 1,008; and Michigan, 1,234.

Another executive order of the President, signed at the same time, authorizes the Post-office Department to fill vacancies in fourth-class postmasterships within civil service examination until the Civil Service Commission shall certify to the department that it is able to hold examinations and make certification to such positions. This was necessary because time is required before any position can be filled by examination and certification from the Commission.

The action of the President has long been contemplated, but up to now it has been withheld because

difficulty in conducting the examinations and securing a list of eligibles in consequence of the work that would be thrown on the Civil Service Commission. The commission, however, has been broadening during the last few years, and they now claim they are fully capable of handling this class of work.

The section included within the order was selected because the department has experienced less difficulty in getting eligibles for the rural carrier service than elsewhere. It is, however, stated at the department that the President's order was the beginning of a policy to eventually include all post-offices where the salary is less than \$1,000 in the classified service.

We should have a civil service law in Kentucky. It is time that such law which has been found to work well in the Federal service and which has been constantly extended should be applied here. This year the employees of the State penitentiary were taxed \$5,000 for campaign purposes. Dreadful tales are told of the treatment of prisoners at Frankfort. The entire public service of the State should be placed on a higher plane.

FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce
JAMES M. BENTON

as a candidate for Circuit Judge for the Twenty-fifth Judicial District, composed of Clark, Powell, Jessamine and Madison counties, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
J. SMITH HAYS

as a candidate for Circuit Judge for the Twenty-fifth Judicial District, composed of Clark, Powell, Jessamine and Madison counties, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

HERE, MR. FARMER!

What President Roosevelt Wants the Country Life Commission to Find Out From You.

1. Have you a good, warm house? Have your neighbors the same?
2. When your boys and girls start down the road to school these mornings, are you sure they are being educated so that they will be satisfied with farm life?
3. Do you and your neighbors get as much for produce as you are entitled to?
4. How do the railroad men and the trolley line men treat you?
5. Is your telephone service all right? Have you any kicks on the mail man?
6. Do your wife and you chip in with the neighbors on buying and selling deals?
7. What about that fellow in your neighborhood that rents his farm? Is he making a go of it?
8. Is it hard to find farm hands?
9. How's your hired man? Happy? Does he "sit in" with the family? Isn't there something all farmers could do to make the hired man happier?
10. Do you and your neighbors know the banker, and can you borrow money in a pinch?
11. How's your barnyard? Clean? Are your neighbors' yards clean? What do the farmers think of a neighbor who keeps a dirty yard?
12. And your wife? Does she ever go out? Does she ever meet the women of the neighborhood? Is there any society at all in your community?
13. What is the thing that would make the greatest improvement in country life?

MEDICINE THAT IS MEDICINE.

"I have suffered a good deal with malaria and stomach complaints, but I have now found a remedy that keeps me well, and that remedy is Electric Bitters; a medicine that is medicine for stomach and liver troubles, and for run down conditions," says W. C. Kiestler, of Hallidav, Ark. Electric Bitters purify and enrich the blood, tone up the nerves, and impart vigor and energy to the weak. Your money will be refunded if it fails to help you. 50c at Phillips Drug store.

BOY KILLED BY TRAIN.

OWINGSVILLE, Ky., Dec. 2.—Leslie Bailey, aged fourteen years, while trying to board a moving freight train near Stepstone, Ky., fell under a car and had both legs cut off. He died an hour later.

THE NEWS by mail \$3 a year.

PACIFIC POLICY IS MADE PUBLIC

America and Japan Declare Intentions.

TO MAINTAIN STATUS QUO

Both Desire Peaceful Development of Their Commerce and Agree to Respect Each Other's Territorial Possessions—Determined to Preserve Common Interests of All Powers by Maintaining Independence and Integrity of China.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The notes exchanged between the United States and Japan "declaring their policy in the far east," which have been the subject of correspondence between Secretary of State Root and Ambassador Takahira for some months, were made public at the state department. Accompanying the declaration are two letters, one from Mr. Takahira and one from Mr. Root, the former expressing the belief that a frank avowal of the aim, policy and intention of the two countries in the Pacific would not only tend to strengthen the relations of friendship and good neighborhood between the two nations, but would materially contribute to the preservation of the general peace, and the latter declaring that "this expression of mutual understanding is welcome to the government of the United States." In explicit terms the five notes are as follows:

- "1. It is the wish of the two governments to encourage the free and peaceful development of their commerce on the Pacific ocean.
- "2. The policy of both governments, uninfluenced by any aggressive tendencies, is directed to the maintenance of the existing status quo in the region above mentioned, and to the defense of the principle of equal opportunity for commerce and industry in China.
- "3. They are accordingly firmly resolved reciprocally to respect the territorial possessions belonging to each other in said region.
- "4. They are also determined to preserve the common interests of all powers in China by supporting by all pacific means at their disposal of the independence and integrity of China and the principle of equal opportunity for commerce and industry of all nations in that empire.
- "5. Should any event occur threatening the status quo as above described or the principle of equal opportunity as above defined, it remains for the two governments to communicate with each other in order to arrive at an understanding as to what measures they may consider it useful to take."

Ambassador Takahira, in a statement issued subsequent to the making public of the notes, declared they were simply a reaffirmation of what was declared by the two governments years ago. It was "something like a transaction between trusted friends."

Body Not Recovered.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—Although numerous boats have patrolled and searched the bay from the Golden Gate to Hunters Point, and the officers of the ferryboats and other craft were asked to keep a sharp lookout, the body of Chief of Police William J. Biggy, who disappeared from the police launch patrol and is believed to have fallen overboard while returning to this city from Belvidere, has not been recovered.

SOCIAL WORKERS PRAISED

Retiring President Addresses Jewish Women's Meeting.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 2.—The value to the present age of the good social worker was the keynote of the address by Mrs. Hugo Rosenberg of Pittsburgh, retiring president of the national council of Jewish women, at the triennial meeting in the Avondale temple, in this city.

"Religion and philanthropy are phases," she said, "and outgrowths of the same impulse. This is the age for the social worker. Scientific research is being made into all phases of existence and expert knowledge is being brought to bear on the complex problems of existence we are facing, with the view to co-ordinating this knowledge for the uplift of humanity."

Posse Searches For Murderers.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 1.—A sheriff's posse is searching the mountains in Laurel county for William Tyree and Robert Barnes, who are charged with the murder of William Barnes and Mrs. Emma Taylor. The double murder was the result of a long standing family feud between the Whitaker, Mize and Barnes families, in which many people have been slain on both sides.

Farmer's Wife Inherits Fortune.

Akron, O., Dec. 2.—The chance reading of a newspaper item was the first information Mrs. Sadie Van Hyning, a farmer's wife of Loyal Oak, had that she was heiress to one-third of an estate of \$50,000, consisting of 300 acres of farm land near Cedar Rapids, Ia.

WOMAN KILLS DAUGHTER

After Desperate Struggle She Ends Own Life With Carbolic Acid.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 2.—A woman who registered as "Mrs. Schmitt, Hot Springs, Ark.," committed suicide at a local hotel by swallowing carbolic acid after she had administered a fatal dose of the same drug to her daughter, aged 7. Mrs. Schmitt was 35 years old and neatly dressed. She had deposited jewels valued at \$500 with the clerk. Among the effects of the woman was found an insurance policy made out to the name of Teresa Errington and payable to Nicholas Errington, Toronto, Canada, a piece of paper, with the name M. P. Errington, and the address 242 Schiller street, Chicago, and \$620 in money.

Wife of Chicago Man.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Nicholas P. Errington, 242 Schiller street, this city, when informed of the Memphis occurrence, said that the woman must have been his wife, Theresa Lereg Errington. "There must be some mistake," said he. "My wife would not commit suicide. Our married life has been happy. With the little girl Theresa she was going to Hot Springs, where I was to have joined them."

CANNON'S FRIENDS SAY JOB IS SAFE

Representative Mann Takes Poll on Speakership.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Friends of Speaker Cannon profess to be highly pleased with the responses to letters which Representative James R. Mann of Chicago has been sending to the members announcing that the Illinois delegation will present the name of Joseph G. Cannon for speaker of the Sixty-first congress. They state that these answers assure the re-election of the speaker.

Representative Mann admitted that he had received unequivocal answers from more than a majority of the Republicans of the house saying that they would support Mr. Cannon. This number has not yet reached a majority of the house. Mr. Mann explained that a number, principally new members, had written that they desired to look over the situation and investigate the subject more thoroughly before replying in a way that might be considered as a pledge. It is said that only one member of the house has replied that he will oppose the re-election of Mr. Cannon as speaker.

Trackman Prevents Wreck.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 2.—An attempt was made to wreck the Toledo, Peoria & Western passenger train between Effner and Sheldon stations. H. Rapmore, a trackman, on a speeder, was ditched at the prospective point of the wreck, and after recovering his equilibrium ran back and flagged the heavy passenger train with over 60 passengers aboard, in time to avoid a disastrous wreck. An investigation showed that spikes had been removed and the rails spread.

WORK LIKE BEAVERS

Citizens of Pine Bluff, Ark., Seek Protection From Flood.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Dec. 2.—While appealing as last recourse to President Roosevelt that permission be granted to cut through government levee and change the course of the Arkansas river, leaving Pine Bluff "high and dry," but safe every available man in this city will be put to work strengthening already crumbling banks until the crest of a 16-foot rise passes this point, probably tonight in an effort to prevent an overflow which would mean the destruction of property valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars and possibly loss of life. Whether their efforts will be successful is problematical.

Standard Employee Is Missing.

Lisbon, O., Dec. 2.—John I. Scott, superintendent of construction work of the Standard Oil company on a new pipe line being built between Darlington and Beaver Falls, Pa., is missing, and foul play is feared. When last seen he had \$6,000 with him which he intended paying 160 workmen. Nothing has been seen of him for a week.

INTERURBAN CAR WRECKED

Ohio Man Fatally and Ten Others Seriously Injured.

Union City, Ind., Dec. 2.—Al Frey of Darke county, Ohio, was fatally hurt and ten other persons seriously injured as the result of an interurban wreck on the Indiana Union Traction line, near Arcanum. The interurban car, while traveling at a high rate of speed, jumped the track and turned on its side. A broken axle is alleged to have caused the accident. Frey's injuries consist of severe bruises and burns from red-hot coals from the stove.

Drives Into Lake and Drowns.

—Youngstown, O., Dec. 2.—Driving along a country road in inky darkness, Leroy Brest, 30, of Mercer, Pa., with his wagon and team of horses, plunged off a high embankment into the lake at Struthers. He was drowned as were both horses, in 15 feet of water.

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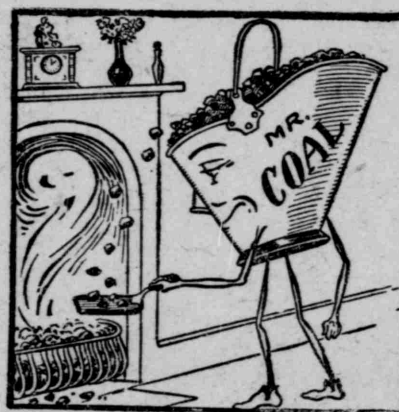
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